

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1957

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State at 31st March, 1957 -

Males - 353,751

Females - 334,381

Persons - 688,132

Metropolitan Area at 31st December, 1956 -

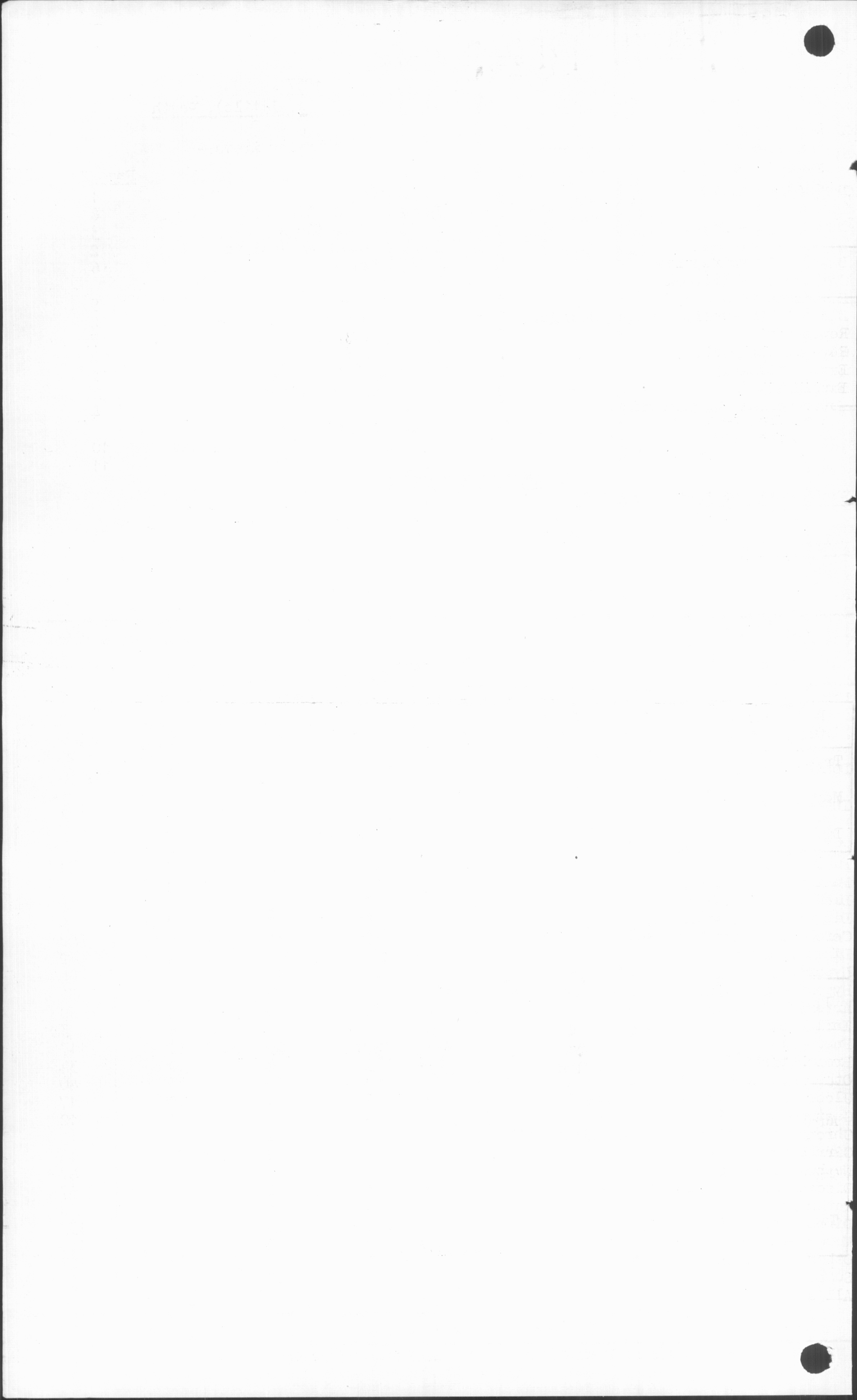
Persons - 372,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	JULY		Seven Months ended JULY	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Marriages - Number	307	322	2,927	3,042
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	5.23	5.61	7.32	7.75
Births - Number	1,431	1,455	9,893	10,072
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	24.40	25.34	24.76	25.66
Deaths - Number	520	535	2,921	3,199
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	8.87	9.32	7.31	8.15
Infant - Number	28	31	212	227
Mortality & Rate per 1,000 Live Births	19.57	21.31	21.43	22.54
PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH				
Tuberculosis	6	4	15	21
Malignant neoplasms	58	61	482	470
Diabetes mellitus	7	7	34	39
Diseases of blood, etc.	1	1	10	6
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	55	55	316	408
Diseases of the heart	186	188	872	962
Hypertension with heart disease	21	17	79	84
Hypertensive disease without mention of heart	3	7	31	34
Arteriosclerosis	12	20	70	90
Influenza	1	1	4	3
Pneumonia	27	29	99	117
Bronchitis	9	8	30	34
Other respiratory disease	10	11	43	40
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	3	4	20	17
Gastro-enteritis and colitis	-	2	7	12
Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	-	-	2	3
Cirrhosis of the liver	4	2	14	18
Nephritis and nephrosis	8	10	43	47
Disease of the prostate	1	4	26	37
Maternal causes	-	1	3	6
Disease of early infancy	17	19	133	133
Motor vehicle accidents	12	9	90	115
Other accidents	15	16	108	127
Suicide	8	12	52	56
All other causes	56	47	338	320
Total:	520	535	2,921	3,199

\* Equivalent Annual Rate

\* Deaths under one year.





LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the eight months ended August, 1957, totalled 572,400 acres, an increase of 42,659 acres on the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered amounted to 3,497,449 acres, an increase of 313,850.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Item	AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	4,209,901	4,195,037	8,204,306	8,140,448
Revenue per Head of Population	6. 1. 9	6. 3. 6	11.17. 6	11.19.11
Expenditure	5,032,472	5,251,268	9,613,548	9,614,579
Expenditure per Head of Population	7. 5. 6	7.14. 8	13.18. 3	14. 3. 5

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances at the end of August, 1957, amounted to £63,752,409 or £92.2.6 per head of population as against £59,593,247 or £87.13.10 per head at the end of August, 1956.

BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the four weeks ended 28th August, 1957, amounted to £13,406,917 compared with £12,974,398 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST	
		1957	1956	1957	1956
Transfers	No.	1,648	1,544	3,458	2,971
	£.	2,410,983	2,124,713	5,362,873	4,335,217
Mortgages	No.	1,286	1,101	2,686	2,101
	£.	2,454,970	1,991,639	5,218,139	3,880,269
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	900	903	1,950	1,711

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS  
AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
August, 1957	3,315,152	2,311,210	10,232,871	523,989
August, 1956	3,646,717	2,094,955	9,438,211	431,680
Two months ended August, 1957	6,075,327	4,945,228	19,975,228	926,745
Two months ended August, 1956	6,561,688	4,182,914	18,648,213	794,747

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COMPANIES REGISTERED

75 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £3,291,000 and 15 Foreign Companies were registered during the two months ended August, 1957. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 39 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £1,656,000 and 17 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Two Months ended AUGUST					
	1957			1956		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
		£.	£.		£.	£.
Sequestration Orders	19	62,678	39,453	23	45,439	19,543
Deeds of Assignment (a)	27	90,296	72,996	13	44,581	35,130
Deeds of Arrangement	-	-	-	-	-	-

(a) Includes Compositions and Schemes of Arrangement.

TRANSPORT

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

Item	JULY		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Gross Earnings (a)* £.	1,109,700	1,247,200	14,044,111	13,274,166
Working Expenses (a) £.	1,320,319	1,172,186	16,011,316	14,993,054
Train Miles Run No.	637,640	745,709	8,277,986	8,278,200
Motor Bus Miles Run No.	(b) 78,481	(b) 79,418	1,458,833	1,505,382
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train No.	1,177,262	975,237	13,270,900	12,270,777
Motor Bus No.	22,646	21,798	305,315	312,202
<u>Tonnage Carried</u>				
Paying Goods	279,577	424,406	4,075,037	3,655,327
Livestock	9,879	11,383	147,994	137,529
Departmental (Free Freight)	49,405	57,111	665,911	730,565
Total:	338,861	492,900	4,888,942	4,523,421
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>				
Paying Goods	48,733,448	69,791,078	649,041,934	590,624,727
Livestock	1,436,122	1,717,475	18,653,075	17,793,478
Departmental (Free Freight)	5,547,619	7,253,496	74,151,574	81,906,646
Total:	55,717,189	78,762,049	741,846,583	690,324,851

(a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.

(b) Four weeks ended 20th July.

\* Figures liable to revision.



MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Entire State (a)			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year 1951	4,263	2,088	51	1,886	7,921	5,792	101	3,193
Year 1952	4,088	2,006	74	1,121	8,078	5,549	115	1,939
Year 1953	4,460	1,869	57	746	8,166	5,071	76	1,239
Year 1954	6,499	2,487	34	736	11,667	6,083	70	1,267
Year 1955	6,852	2,533	18	701	11,612	5,606	59	1,130
Year 1956	5,219	1,856	24	724	9,067	4,582	85	1,057
<u>1957 -</u>								
January	376	99	-	82	684	250	5	122
February	471	114	-	83	769	261	8	116
March	419	168	2	78	690	418	4	112
April	414	169	4	84	696	432	5	127
May	581	177	2	67	961	409	5	113
June	398	153	1	51	761	343	2	75
July	485	187	6	71	882	395	8	112

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Entire State (a)			
	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Hire Cars)	Wagons, Vans, Utilities	Buses	Motor Cycles
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>1954 -</u>								
June	47,819	20,400	593	9,692	78,312	59,257	1,124	15,243
December	52,072	21,721	590	9,713	84,963	60,905	1,143	14,894
<u>1955 -</u>								
June	55,720	22,694	555	9,605	90,255	62,753	1,138	14,662
December	59,374	23,666	562	9,342	95,014	63,128	1,148	14,041
<u>1956 -</u>								
June	61,835	24,169	569	9,253	98,875	64,430	1,196	13,873
December	64,158	24,641	573	9,133	101,708	64,765	1,209	13,551
<u>1957 -</u>								
January	64,665	24,724	569	9,162	100,818	62,770	1,109	12,990
February	64,766	24,703	569	9,114	101,940	63,853	1,204	13,266
March	64,839	24,656	571	9,070	102,628	64,485	1,212	13,378
April	65,184	24,561	576	9,119	102,327	63,697	1,212	13,163
May	65,369	24,485	576	9,071	103,555	64,542	1,219	13,350
June	65,013	24,354	580	8,770	103,788	64,806	1,224	13,146
July	66,611	24,648	582	8,636	104,230	63,616	1,222	12,642

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.  
 Estimated.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)  
 Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	JULY		Twelve Months ended JUNE		JULY		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Oversea	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000	£,000
	4,227	2,685	40,229	46,482	6,105	8,686	114,988	81,035
Interstate	5,960	4,967	94,340	88,976	1,736	853	41,195	34,637
Total:	10,187	7,652	134,569	135,458	7,841	9,539	156,183	115,672





BUILDING ACTIVITY

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors, etc. (a)							
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
Year 1946	55	32	1,316	1,221	52	82	145	192	1,568	1,527
Year 1947	165	109	2,245	2,380	37	64	164	327	2,611	2,880
Year 1948	514	346	2,544	3,042	49	160	268	431	3,375	3,978
Year 1949	825	693	2,485	3,476	57	215	317	657	3,684	5,041
Year 1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
Year 1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
Year 1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,424	8,496	19,934
Year 1953	2,988	7,219	4,839	12,624	84	817	714	3,657	8,625	24,317
Year 1954	3,127	8,255	5,044	13,491	111	1,544	844	5,015	9,126	28,305
Year 1955	2,788	8,194	6,422	18,091	129	3,405	933	6,900	10,272	36,590
Year 1956	1,921	5,708	4,773	13,508	97	946	923	7,359	7,714	27,521
1957 -										
March Qtr.	287	852	774	2,194	21	263	149	1,798	1,231	5,107
June Qtr.	418	1,134	1,071	3,103	27	455	154	1,186	1,670	5,878

(a) Comprises Government Day Labour as well as Private Contractor Operations and includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) hereunder.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Homes)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone Concrete, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
Year 1946	578	640	186	140	373	296	227	172	1,364	1,248
Year 1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
Year 1948	1,252	1,715	326	249	1,436	1,348	29	22	3,043	3,334
Year 1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
Year 1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
Year 1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
Year 1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
Year 1953	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
Year 1954	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
Year 1955	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
Year 1956	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1957 -										
March Qtr.	610	2,025	3	7	407	890	1	2	1,021	2,924
June Qtr.	845	2,768	10	20	576	1,295	1	1	1,432	4,084

GOLD PRODUCTION

Item	AUGUST		EIGHT Months ended AUGUST	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
<u>GOLD</u>				
Quantity Fine ozs.	75,728	72,303	585,407	556,437
Value (Aust. Currency) * £.	1,183,248	1,129,742	9,146,972	8,694,312
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies £.	262,500	337,500	1,371,562	1,332,823

\* Excludes premiums on gold sold for industrial purposes.



STATE OF NEW YORK

Debit

RECEIPTS

1890

No.	Amount	Particulars	Balance
1	100.00	Jan 1 Balance	100.00
2	50.00	Jan 10	150.00
3	25.00	Jan 20	175.00
4	75.00	Jan 30	250.00
5	100.00	Feb 1	350.00
6	50.00	Feb 10	400.00
7	25.00	Feb 20	425.00
8	75.00	Feb 30	500.00
9	100.00	Mar 1	600.00
10	50.00	Mar 10	650.00
11	25.00	Mar 20	675.00
12	75.00	Mar 30	750.00
13	100.00	Apr 1	850.00
14	50.00	Apr 10	900.00
15	25.00	Apr 20	925.00
16	75.00	Apr 30	1000.00
17	100.00	May 1	1100.00
18	50.00	May 10	1150.00
19	25.00	May 20	1175.00
20	75.00	May 30	1250.00
21	100.00	Jun 1	1350.00
22	50.00	Jun 10	1400.00
23	25.00	Jun 20	1425.00
24	75.00	Jun 30	1500.00
25	100.00	Jul 1	1600.00
26	50.00	Jul 10	1650.00
27	25.00	Jul 20	1675.00
28	75.00	Jul 30	1750.00
29	100.00	Aug 1	1850.00
30	50.00	Aug 10	1900.00
31	25.00	Aug 20	1925.00
32	75.00	Aug 30	2000.00
33	100.00	Sep 1	2100.00
34	50.00	Sep 10	2150.00
35	25.00	Sep 20	2175.00
36	75.00	Sep 30	2250.00
37	100.00	Oct 1	2350.00
38	50.00	Oct 10	2400.00
39	25.00	Oct 20	2425.00
40	75.00	Oct 30	2500.00
41	100.00	Nov 1	2600.00
42	50.00	Nov 10	2650.00
43	25.00	Nov 20	2675.00
44	75.00	Nov 30	2750.00
45	100.00	Dec 1	2850.00
46	50.00	Dec 10	2900.00
47	25.00	Dec 20	2925.00
48	75.00	Dec 30	3000.00
49	100.00	Total	3100.00

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6	50.00	Feb 10	400.00
7	25.00	Feb 20	425.00
8	75.00	Feb 30	500.00
9	100.00	Mar 1	600.00
10	50.00	Mar 10	650.00
11	25.00	Mar 20	675.00
12	75.00	Mar 30	750.00
13	100.00	Apr 1	850.00
14	50.00	Apr 10	900.00
15	25.00	Apr 20	925.00
16	75.00	Apr 30	1000.00
17	100.00	May 1	1100.00
18	50.00	May 10	1150.00
19	25.00	May 20	1175.00
20	75.00	May 30	1250.00
21	100.00	Jun 1	1350.00
22	50.00	Jun 10	1400.00
23	25.00	Jun 20	1425.00
24	75.00	Jun 30	1500.00
25	100.00	Jul 1	1600.00
26	50.00	Jul 10	1650.00
27	25.00	Jul 20	1675.00
28	75.00	Jul 30	1750.00
29	100.00	Aug 1	1850.00
30	50.00	Aug 10	1900.00
31	25.00	Aug 20	1925.00
32	75.00	Aug 30	2000.00
33	100.00	Sep 1	2100.00
34	50.00	Sep 10	2150.00
35	25.00	Sep 20	2175.00
36	75.00	Sep 30	2250.00
37	100.00	Oct 1	2350.00
38	50.00	Oct 10	2400.00
39	25.00	Oct 20	2425.00
40	75.00	Oct 30	2500.00
41	100.00	Nov 1	2600.00
42	50.00	Nov 10	2650.00
43	25.00	Nov 20	2675.00
44	75.00	Nov 30	2750.00
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RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capitals for 1923/27 - 1000)

Centre	Food and Groceries				"C" Series			
	JUNE Quarter		Twelve Months ended JUNE		JUNE Quarter		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Metropolitan Area	3111	3000	3060	2921	2750	2646	2709	2596
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3256	3142	3241	3094	2636	2543	2614	2520
Northam	3172	3022	3146	2950	2711	2565	2654	2528
Bunbury	3137	3037	3127	2994	2740	2660	2720	2605
Geraldton	3238	3059	3208	3006	2918	2802	2884	2760
Collie	3191	3056	3156	3011	2507	2416	2479	2391

ESTIMATED TOTAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excluding Rural and Private Domestic)

Figures supplied by Commonwealth Statistician

Month	1956			1957		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
January	136,330	43,687	180,017	134,232	43,806	178,038
February	137,946	44,627	182,573	134,594	44,839	179,433
March	137,563	44,762	182,325	134,816	45,022	179,838
April	136,859	44,848	181,707	134,587	44,505	179,092
May	136,208	45,034	181,242	134,124	44,691	178,815
June	135,482	44,565	180,047	133,650	44,159	177,809
July	134,639	44,545	179,184	133,311	44,323	177,634
August	134,685	44,019	178,704			
September	134,431	44,167	178,598			
October	134,494	44,189	178,683			
November	134,756	44,368	179,124			
December	134,699	44,623	179,322			

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

Month	Factories (Base: 1928/29 (19,799 Employees = 100))				
	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
January	213	226	237	241	234
February	217	228	240	241	234
March	220	231	242	240	235
April	221	230	243	239	234
May	222	231	242	238	235
June	220	230	239	235	233
July	221	230	238	233	232
August	221	230	239	232	
September	223	232	241	233	
October	224	233	241	234	
November	227	234	243	234	
December	227	233	242	235	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1956 are preliminary.

(GALATIANS)

Galatians 1:1

Paul and Silvanus

to the churches of Galatia

Greeting

Grace to you and peace

from God the Father

and Jesus Christ

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STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State		
	Male			Female			Male		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
19/7/57	13.	12.	9	8.	17.	3	13.	9.	11

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY - METROPOLITAN AREA

(Generated by W.A. Government Power Stations)

Particulars	AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST	
	1957	1956	1957	1956
Units Generated (1000 K.W.H.)	48,058	46,950	98,808	94,925
Units Sent Out (1000 K.W.H.)	43,325	42,411	89,273	85,727

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS IN PRINCIPAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
July, 1957	16,284	434	72,609	13,921
July, 1956	16,710	348	68,743	10,592
12 Months ended June, 1957	133,004	4,717	1,354,294	139,999
12 Months ended June, 1956	134,621	3,798	1,262,161	141,984

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(Note - Excludes non-casualty accidents where damage was estimated to be £10 or less)

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (Damage over £10)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents Reported		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try
Year 1953	No. 4,074	No. 1,463	No. 2,024	No. 882	No. 6,098	No. 2,345	No. 99	No. 93	No. 2,430	No. 1,234
Year 1954	5,072	1,824	2,415	874	7,487	2,698	96	89	3,028	1,281
Year 1955	5,878	2,029	2,237	921	8,115	2,950	110	89	2,669	1,318
Year 1956	5,866	2,095	2,161	875	8,027	2,970	102	80	2,653	1,236
1957 -										
January	405	185	169	94	574	279	3	7	228	118
February	408	144	183	76	591	220	5	3	220	104
March	520	182	192	84	712	266	8	7	219	118
April	493	197	174	90	667	287	10	3	227	123
May	542	185	192	64	734	249	6	8	217	83
June	618	202	192	94	810	296	12	7	239	125
July	558	189	197	59	755	248	5	5	229	74
Total 7 Months ended July	3,544	1,284	1,299	561	4,843	1,845	49	40	1,579	745



MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS (SUBJECT TO REVISION)

Item	Unit	AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST.	
		1957	1956	1957	1956
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	no.	442	449	978	1,403
Bricks - Cement	'000	214	223	459	379
- Clay	'000	8,715	8,200	17,128	15,134
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq. yd.	139	95	279	201
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,481	2,053	4,681	3,893
Ready Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gal	25,740	20,662	44,794	41,467
Tiles, roofing- Cement	'000	634	510	1,359	909
Timber, Sawn	'000 sup.ft.	(a) 18,188	(a) 18,935	(b) 205,476	(b) 222,116
<u>Clothing</u>					
Cardigans and Pullovers	doz.	1,099	981	2,326	1,824
Raincoats (inc. Oilskins)					
Men's and Boys'	no.	7	194	640	571
Shirts (all types) Men's and Boys'	doz.	5,134	4,747	9,536	8,670
Sports Coats - Men's	no.	338	390	743	1,037
Suits - Men's - 3 piece	no.	142	239	282	478
- 2 piece	no.	1,690	1,730	3,232	3,364
Trousers - Men's - Sport	no.	4,728	5,593	9,545	10,267
- Work	no.	15,524	17,481	28,374	30,121
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots and Shoes (all types)	pair	28,426	31,675	62,498	64,629
Sandals	pair	12,283	22,324	19,204	30,689
Slippers	pair	18,445	31,991	38,408	71,351
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	501	529	1,023	1,058
Butter	'000 lb.	2,075	2,084	3,912	3,797
Cheese	'000 lb.	250	265	469	436
Jams	'000 lb.	61	72	132	143
Margarine	'000 lb.	145	153	327	319
Sauce - Tomato	Imperial Pint	96,116	68,491	192,126	144,248
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acids - Acetic	cwt.	580	745	928	1,149
- Hydrochloric	cwt.	145	153	225	255
- Nitric	cwt.	58	56	104	108
- Sulphuric	ton	20,344	14,217	30,994	22,936
Coal	ton	79,693	84,817	160,263	164,559
Cycles, Pedal	no.	545	478	1,003	884
Gas Produced	million cu. ft.	131	136	266	276
Iron (Pig Iron)	tons	1,192	1,152	2,357	2,243
Mattresses - Inner Spring	no.	2,107	2,071	4,515	4,127
- Woven Wire	no.	4,761	4,416	5,712	6,206
- Soft Filled	no.	3,197	3,346	6,332	6,191
Motor Vehicle Bodies -					
Truck Trays	no.	29	43	52	82
Utilities (all types)	no.	-	1	7	5
Trailers (all types)	no.	9	9	15	15
Perambulators	no.	63	46	114	97
Soap and Soap Substitutes	cwt.	6,624	6,843	13,035	14,002
Superphosphate	ton	56,807	41,125	86,574	64,252
Wool Scoured	'000 lb.	1,668	1,547	3,718	3,676

(a) July figures. August not available.

(b) Twelve months ended June.





The figures in the table below relate to goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) sold to the public by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The table contains particulars of retail sales of goods for the years 1948-49, 1952-53 and 1955-56, on a comparable basis. The figures for the years 1948-49 and 1952-53 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas particulars for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys.

(£ Million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food (b)	Beer, Wine Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Piecegoods & Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (c)	Electrical Goods and Radios	Furniture and Floor Coverings	Other Goods (d)	Total, Excluding Motor Vehicles, etc.	Motor Vehicles Parts, Petrol (e)
<u>YEARS</u>											
1948-49	10.8	4.0	7.1	8.5	14.3	3.8	2.4	3.0	10.8	64.7	13.7
1952-53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	24.1	9.3	6.1	5.2	25.6	127.3	37.3
1955-56	26.4	9.9	18.4	15.4	26.5	11.2	7.8	6.1	29.0	151.7	56.0
<u>QUARTERS</u>											
March Qtr.											
1954	5.3	2.2	3.7	4.4	5.5	2.4	1.6	1.3	6.6	33.0	10.0
1955	6.3	2.2	4.1	4.1	5.9	2.5	1.8	1.4	7.0	35.3	11.9
1956	6.5	2.4	4.9	4.4	5.7	2.6	2.0	1.4	6.7	36.6	14.3
1957	6.7	2.7	4.9	4.5	5.8	2.7	1.8	1.5	6.9	37.5	13.0
June Qtr.											
1954	5.8	2.4	3.7	3.6	7.3	2.6	1.4	1.5	7.3	35.6	11.7
1955	6.4	2.4	3.8	3.5	7.3	2.6	1.5	1.5	7.2	36.2	13.0
1956	6.8	2.6	4.4	3.5	7.2	2.8	1.5	1.4	7.0	37.2	12.3
Sept. Qtr.											
1954	6.2	2.4	4.0	3.6	6.5	2.5	1.6	1.6	7.2	35.6	13.0
1955	6.4	2.5	4.4	3.3	6.7	2.7	1.8	1.6	6.9	36.3	13.7
1956	6.8	2.7	4.5	3.6	6.5	2.6	1.6	1.5	6.9	36.7	11.8
Dec. Qtr.											
1954	6.6	2.3	4.2	4.0	7.8	2.9	2.3	1.6	8.2	39.9	12.7
1955	6.7	2.4	4.7	4.2	7.9	3.1	2.5	1.7	8.4	41.6	15.7
1956	7.1	2.7	4.8	4.4	8.0	3.0	2.2	1.7	8.0	41.9	13.2

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1953, are subject to revision. (b) Includes Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Confectionery, Soft Drinks, Ice Cream, Cakes, Pastry, Cooked Provisions, Fish, etc., but excludes most delivered Milk and some delivered Bread. (c) Excludes Basic Building Materials (e.g. Timber, Roofing Tiles, Bricks, etc.). (d) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, etc., Newspapers, Books and Stationery, Chemists' Goods, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (e) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth Moving Equipment, etc.



AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

(This information is extracted from records relating to approximately 25% of Total Sales.)

FRUIT

Item	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	32. 0	21. 9	21. 5	15. 3	12.10	9. 8	8. 3					
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	-	-	30. 2	19. 4	19. 7					
- Valencia	bush.	27. 2	27. 6	33. 9	39. 5	27. 0	27. 0	24. 2					
Bananas - Local	lb.	1. 4	1. 2	1. 4	1. 5	1. 4	1. 4	1.11					
Apples - Granny Smith	bush.	20. 0	19. 8	14. 5	19.10	24. 3	25. 9	27. 3					
- Other	bush.	21. 5	17.11	16.10	22. 8	23. 8	24. 5	27. 1					
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	20. 9	15. 9	15. 8	21.11	20. 2	18. 9	23. 8					
Apricots	" "	26. 9	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Nectarines	" "	24.11	25. 1	25. 5	-	-	-	-					
Plums	" "	19. 6	16. $7\frac{1}{2}$	25. 5	36.11	-	-	-					
Peaches	" "	18. 5	18. 8	19. 0	-	-	-	-					
Grapes	" "	17. 0	20. 4	24. 9	27. 4	24.11	28. 6	-					

VEGETABLES

Item	Unit	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Cabbage	50 lb. crate	3. 8	6.10	5. 8	6. 4	5. 6	5.11	12. 7					
Cauliflowers	dozen	-	27. 0	21. 8	17. 0	11.11	7. 2	19. 4					
Lettuce	crate	5. 9	6. 5	7.10	8. 3	6. 9	8. 0	15. 1					
Table Celery	dozen head	6. 4	4. 9	6. 6	4. 7	6. 5	5. 6	4. 3					
Beetroot	cwt.	16. 8	27. 7	28. 3	21. 2	20. 1	17. 0	29. 7					
Carrots	"	20. 6	39.10	46. 7	56. 8	45. 6	31. 2	39.10					
Parsnips	"	69. 2	86. 1	111. 0	105. 9	84. 9	65. 9	73. 5					
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. bag	6. 3	8. 2	8. 2	6. 8	7. 6	5. $8\frac{1}{2}$	7. 9					
Swedes	cwt.	32. 9	67. 2	64. 1	74. 6	41. 9	29. 9	30. 6					
Runner Beans	lb.	5	9	11	7	6	9	1.11					
Peas	"	1. 7	2. 1	1.11	1. 4	1. 5	1. 9	2. 1					
Sweet Potatoes	"	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	3	3	3	4	5					
Pumpkin	bag	23. 3	18.10	16. 1	16. 8	14. 3	15. 4	16. 1					
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	9. 4	11. $2\frac{1}{2}$	13. 1	19. 5	15. 6	11. 9	15. 6					
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.					
Onions (a)	ton	36. 0.0	36. 0.0	37. 3.0	40. 0.0	41. 8.0	45. 0.0	45. 0.0					
Potatoes (b)	ton	41.15.0	41.15.0	41.15.0	40. 5.0	40. 5.0	40. 5.0	40. 5.0					

- (a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area.  
(b) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R., Perth.



AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES (MIDLAND MARKETS)

(This information is extracted from records relating to approximately 50% of Total Sales.)

LIVE STOCK

Item	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
<u>Good Quality Sheep</u>												
Suckers	-	-	-	-	4. 8. 0	4.17. 0	4.12. 0					
Lambs - Wool	3.18. 0	4. 6. 8	4.11. 8	5. 7. 0	5.12. 5	6. 2. 7	4.16. 0					
- Shorn	-	-	-	4. 4. 0	4. 1. 7	4.19. 5	4. 9. 5					
Hoggets - Wool	3.16. 8	4. 4. 8	4. 7. 8	4. 9.10	4.18. 8	5.12. 5	4.17. 3					
- Shorn	-	-	-	-	3.12.10	5. 3. 7	3. 4. 3					
Ewes - Wool	2.17. 0	3. 7. 8	3. 6. 3	4. 1.10	4.16. 3	5. 5. 3	4.18. 8					
- Shorn	-	-	-	2. 4. 0	3. 2. 3	4. 2. 3	3. 6. 0					
Wethers - Wool	3.17. 5	4. 3. 5	4. 3.10	4.16.10	5. 7.10	6. 7. 7	5. 6. 5					
- Shorn	-	-	-	2.18. 7	3. 7. 7	3.14. 5	3.14. 5					
<u>Good Quality Cattle</u>												
Baby Beef	29. 9. 0	27.13. 5	29. 9.10	34. 7. 7	40. 5. 5	40. 2. 0	39.14. 3					
Heifers	31. 2. 5	30.19. 3	34.15. 5	41.19.10	46. 0.10	46. 7.10	43.13. 3					
Cows	41.10. 3	35. 7. 3	40.14. 5	45. 0.10	47.16. 3	47. 9. 3	48.16.10					
Steers	40. 3. 7	38. 8. 5	46.10.10	50.13. 7	53.15. 0	52. 9. 3	52. 7. 3					
Bullocks	46.10. 7	44. 4.10	44.13. 3	57. 1. 0	54. 8.10	52. 7. 7	50.17.10					
<u>Good Quality Pigs</u>												
Slips	6. 8. 7	6.14. 3	6. 6. 5	5.12. 5	5. 6. 0	4.14. 0	4.16. 3					
Porkers	10.18. 7	10. 3.10	9.16. 3	10.16. 0	9.13. 1	9. 4. 7	8.15. 1					
Baconers	17.10. 3	17. 0.10	17. 0.10	16.16. 7	15.17. 0	15.17. 5	14.15. 0					

